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Application of: Boertje et al.

Serial No.: 10/802,192

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For: SORTING MACHINE FOR DIVERTING  
AN ARTICLE FROM AN ARTICLE  
STREAM

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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TOTAL	* 36	MINUS	** 21	= 15
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SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDL. FEE
x 9=	\$
x 43=	\$
x 145=	\$
TOTAL	\$ 0.00

OR

OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDL. FEE
x 18=	\$270.00
x 86=	\$172.00
x 290=	\$
TOTAL	\$ 442.00

OR

- ☐ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS

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Signed: *Kathleen A. Sandu*

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application on the merits, please amend the application with revised 37 C.F.R. §1.121, as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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